## VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS MINIMUM TRAINING STANDARDS FOR OFFICERS OF ELECTION TRAINING MATERIALS TO BE DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

**PURSUANT TO §24.2-103.** 

These standards are based on the premise that the Department of Elections is best suited to provide appropriate training on those subjects that are uniform statewide. The subjects listed here tend to be applicable to all localities statewide, (e.g. provisional ballot processing.) The State Board of Elections believes that the Department of Elections is best positioned to provide uniform training for all Officers of Election on the following:

STANDARD	CODE REFERENCE
To ensure uniformity in elections, the Department of Elections shall maintain the current "What If" document and "Election Day Guide", and develop an appropriate training standard based upon them, excluding operational training on specific voting equipment or electronic pollbooks which may vary by locality.	§ 24.2-103
The Department of Elections shall provide appropriate overview training for Chief and Assistant Chief officers on reacting to emergency situations. This shall cover basics, with specifics left to each locality. Basic situations include disorderly voter, power disruption, traffic issues, earthquake, terrorist attack, etc. This should be presented from the perspective of the Commonwealth, with the locality also providing specific information in its mandatory standards.	§§ 24.2-604 24.2-606 24.2-607 24.2-608

The Department of Elections shall provide appropriate training on procedures to be followed when a provisional ballot is cast and when the polling hours are extended by order of a court of competent jurisdiction.	§§ 24.2-653 24.2-653.2
The Department of Elections shall provide appropriate training on voter ID requirements.	§ 24.2-643(B)
The Department of Elections shall provide appropriate training on polling place accessibility and proper interaction with disabled voters.	§ 24.2-626.1

## VIRGINIA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS MINIMUM TRAINING STANDARDS FOR OFFICERS OF ELECTION TRAINING MATERIALS TO BE DEVELOPED BY EACH LOCALITY

**PURSUANT TO §24.2-103.** 

These standards are based on the premise that local electoral boards and Directors of Election already have training programs in place for these subjects. These subjects tend to be locality-specific, (e.g. voting systems — which vary by locality). The State Board of Elections believes that each locality is best positioned to train its Officers of Election on these subjects, dependent upon circumstances in the locality.

STANDARD	CODE REFERENCE
To ensure integrity and purity in elections, each electoral board and director of elections shall provide appropriate training as indicated below, on subjects that are specific to the locality. The training, when combined with Standards developed by the Department of Elections, shall be sufficient to produce an effective, errorfree election. The electoral board and director of elections shall review its training program at least every two years.	§ 24.2-103
Each electoral board and director of elections shall ensure that all chief officers and assistant chief officers receive training prior to each election, in those procedures associated with determining and properly securing the results of the election, with concentration on those laws and procedures that are new.	§§ 24.2-115.2 24.2-654 – 24.2-668

Each electoral board and director of elections shall ensure that all officers of election are properly trained on the use of the voting equipment utilized in the locality, including the vote counter(s) and the handicap-accessible voting assistance machine.	§§ 24.2-625 – 24.2-642  Voting Equipment Guidelines
Each electoral board and director of elections shall ensure that all officers of election are properly trained on the use of the electronic (or paper) pollbook utilized in their locality.	§§ 24.2-611 24.2-643 24.2-651 – 24.2-653 EPB Operational Guidelines
Each electoral board and director of elections shall ensure that the officers of election working in a Central Absentee Precinct are properly trained in the requirements and processes associated with absentee ballots.	§§ 24.2-707 – 24.2-712 Et.al.
Each electoral board and director of elections shall ensure training for Chief and Assistant Chief officers on reacting to emergency situations. This shall cover specifics, including contact with local jurisdiction's police or sheriff's department, and department of emergency services or public safety, to deal with disorderly voter, power disruption, traffic issues, earthquake, terrorist attack, etc.	§§ 24.2-604 24.2-606 24.2-607 24.2-608
Each electoral board and director of elections shall certify before the November general election to the Department of Elections that Officers of Election have been trained according to Department standards.	§ 24.2-103(D)